

# Horsepower



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Respect our volunteers. Brendan Quartermain has been working all season to gain various CAMS accreditations

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### Round 5

Another tough day in the office, for some. Especially if you were involved in one of the few

accidents reported to CAMS or the multitude of minor skirmishes with tyres etc.

Remember Round 6 is the day night event held on Saturday, not Sunday. Have you checked the lunar calendar. I have. Sorry, very little moon on the night. Go get your night vision goggles.

At the end of round 6 the fence will have to be dismantled and stacked. Many hands make light work, so you can see! And the gates will stay locked until the pack up is finished.

## **GOSSIP IN THE PITS**

Graeme Miles did not attend the Masters Games over east. I kept telling him he was too young to attend and Graeme kept insisting he was old enough to compete in hill climbing. All I have to say is he must be fit to climb hills but he did not enter, so what is this telling us? Anyway we like his smiling face in the canteen.

Marnitz has his Corolla for sale. He has not raced for more than a year

as he has been too busy being a dad. See the advert in the club website. [www.swtcc.com.au](http://www.swtcc.com.au) or call 043 769 1090.



The canteen crew are busy as usual. Kathy claims she turned around to check that the other 2 slackers were working.



Does anyone know why past president Mark is always at the canteen window?



Was the baby in the above pram recovered? I was a little worried as we do not have a lost property office!



Why is the president doing some pensive thinking? Is he wondering how to beat Gary Butler again or

how to fix the tracks bad ruts or just daydreaming?

Or was he worried about that baby also.

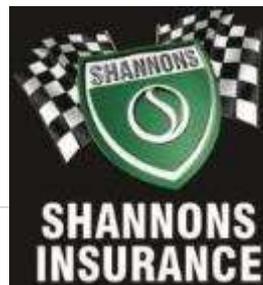
Have you ever wondered why Ron Ferguson, one of our "top guns" has never progressed into rallying.

Well now I have the answer myself; he gets lost; no not to the wife's direction, but he can't navigate. The other day he got lost coming to an Executive meeting. By his own admission!



## ON THE TRACK

It's hard to say whether the gossip in the pits or action on the track is more exciting.



Probably the talked about was Les Georges rollover. Coming up to the hairpin furthest from the tanks, Les was flying and had the little Corolla sideways. It hit a big rut and the car flipped over once before you could say Jack Sprat.

In true F1 style Les walked back to the ambulance, receiving a big applause when he reached the fence. Only one thing not to script, Les left his helmet in the car. You're meant to carry it Les. Afterwards I said commiserations to Les but he said *"that was awesome"*.



The car was a write off and Les let it be known he was after a new body shell. David Liang found a new shell for Les and the car is nearly ready to go. Early one morning Les arrived at the

Presidents ranch for help in rewiring the car. What colour will it be Les.

Little Rocky was very upset that his best mate had rolled his car.



Dicko (alias Peter Dickson) had *"a lose"* right in front of the timing hut. The dust (bulldust) was from Dicko muttering some expletives. No damage, not even his pride.

Next meeting the lose did not even happened, but we have the proof.





Paul Johnston skidded to a stop on the long track near the grandstand and sat there for about 30 seconds. Apparently his silk underdaks had fallen down to his knees and was not able to change gears. Another version I heard was that his floor trim had become stuck under the accelerator. Choose your version of what happened.



After a tough skirmish with a tyre, Jennie Gersei leapt out of her car to inspect the damage and said “it did nothing” The only evidence on the car was a black tyre mark.

Perhaps the stories about tough Toyotas is true.

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Paul Fontini #50 paid his club membership and CAMS fees to return for 1 drive in the 2015 season. All the other events clash

with his rock climbing dates. That's in vehicles, not by the fingernails.



Andrew Jensen in his new “fully fitted out” autocross car after his rollover in round 4. The engine was a bit smokey but Andrew still drove great times. He is considering a larger engine transplant between seasons.



New junior drivers Mitchell Bradford #53 and Luke Millar, both driving Excels are pushing Daniel Wallis hard in the junior category.

Sorry good people. I lost my notes on round 5, so all has been written from memory. The truth may have been bent a little to get a story. Has some scoundrel hidden my notes?

